

South Australian Region

MINUTES SOUTH AUSTRALIAN REGION OF THE AUST ALPACA ASSOCIATION Held at 20 Oborn Rd, Mt Barker 10/3/2021 @ 6.45pm

ATTENDANCE: Jolyon Porter, Kerry Porter, Rosalie Brinkworth, Bernard Croese, Jodie Burr

APOLOGIES: Nil

<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>: As previously declared, and in addition JB declared an interest in Mioshi Park Alpacas.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: No changes as read. Accepted by RB, seconded by JB.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES: To be discussed in main section of meeting, if needed. RB brought a sheet re: Wombaroo info sheet for all to look over and to be included online as general information for new owners.

TREASURERS REPORT: Balance - \$8914.98. Investment acc - \$19287.92. Income :- Nil. Out :- Nil. One outstanding account of \$71.50 to be chased up same as last month. Merchandise list to be sent to JB to put on FB. Merchandise officer suggested that some items should be taken to the next Region get together/meeting to see if any can be sold at discounted prices to clear them out.

RAS Trophy Sponsorship Renewal Agreement – Discussed and agreed to continue. Moved BC, 2nd RB all in favour. Sponsorship renewals for Carlisle and Mioshi Park to be checked with K Holthouse RAS for status.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- National Office- Finance Officer Sonya Zarew requesting quarterly stocktake figures starting March.
- AAA International Womens Day request for possible members who could be invited to submit details.
- RA&HS Trophy Sponsorship Renewal Agreement to be ratified.
- Di Bulpit officially advising committee of resignation from Strathalbyn Show Convenor job.
- S Haese Merchandise Officer suggestion to discount much of the stock we hold to reduce holdings. !
- Judges's Agreements new draft for consideration by them. !
- JP to contact S Haese and Cheryl Williams to ascertain who might be taking on the Strath Show convening.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

! President's Update 28/2 and 4/3

PRESIDENTS ZOOM MEETING 25/2/2021 – S Wheeler gave short run down on the Skills and Training areas she is working on. Videos to be made to a format of 3-5 mins and then replicated with different types of educational videos to be available online to members. No stud logos in video. List of ideas and what is being worked on. A new Members Only Facebook page being proposed for members only information such as videos. S Wheeler would like webinar ideas forwarded to her. Judges indemnity for 2021 shows. New Judges waiver re: Covid is being negotiated. Waiver for Exhibitors also being drafted - see Mick's document. WA Fibre session last week? With whom? Apprentice Judges could fill role of Ring Steward to reduce number of people in the show ring. Penning can now be back to back instead of breeder blocks. Next meeting 2 mths.

<u>REGIONAL SHOWS</u> - MT PLEASANT - H Lindner joins meeting via phone. After cancelling the Mt P Show last week the alternate show will be on Saturday 1/5. Weighing and set up on 30/4. Can use eAlpaca - consult with Amanda for authorisation. Needs snappy name. Ask A Clarke to be judge in first instance. If unable judge, HL to invite another judge. HL needed street address to enter into system. Will need tags, score cards, running sheets etc. Have

ORM /get together afterwards. After discussion JP's idea Breeders choice award unable to be properly managed with Covid restrictions. Close of Entries 11/4 and delivery date 14/4 @ Lyndoch. These dates could be altered before opening entries. Cost per fleece was discussed and should be approx \$10/ fleece to break even inc ribbons and some trophies. HL to ask JW or SH about their ribbon supplier. Will be BYO food and drinks. Need masks, sanitiser,wipes. JP to contact Woodside Hall to hire and purchase trophies (shears). Need silks, scales, tub etc, stationery. There may be a few members who could collect and drop off to HL ORM 4pm for 4.30pm start then Fleece awards presented and dinner/drinks at Hotel opposite.

RAS – KP attended DFC meeting 18/2/21. Mini goats section still with lots of problems with the 3 assns. Suggestion made for Alpacas to have a training/education session for Juniors on Monday after majority of breeders have departed. Need to do something in show ring that day. KP needs to finalise schedule to fulfil RAS desire for the pavilion. All goat sections have been rearranged to fit in the reduced number of days. Suggested that there could be industry displays to fill north end of shed thru show eg. Heineger rep or similar. Steward noms needed.

COLOUR CLASSIC– National Show Calendar sent to J Wheeler/S Haese. Returned a proposal with 3 options.

Proposed date July 9/10/11. refer email from SH. Proposed judge M Mullette? Plan 2 looks most viable. JB suggested there may be more interstate entries due to no shows in 2020. Convenor will need to be flexible if numbers are greater than expected. (Plans 2:1:3 in order)

STRATHALBYN – Have discussion with SH re: Cheryl Williams as new convenor?

NATIONAL ALPACA WEEK - Encourage members to open for the weekend of May 22&23 - SA Alpaca Week.

Rider: Need to adhere to Covid regulations at the time. <50 @ residential properties –no Covid plan is required to be submitted to SA Health. BC to check guidelines, do we need 'barcode'? or just contact tracing list?

<u>BUYERS & SELLERS INFORMATION SHEET</u> – JP to send copy to all committee members to review in next few days. Is there a Code of Practice with AAA? Anything enforceable?

BREEDERS DIRECTORY – JP handed around draft of flyer handout. Will ask for FB page addresses in next update as some breeders included this info but wasn't ask for this time. Can upload to web page as PDF for members or interested people to run off.

NEW OWNERS DAY – SH is running one in next few weeks. Committee need to formulate plan on how to run region event. Can't publicise studs own marketing. If Region runs a day will need to be on neutral site, transport animals, panels etc. Publicity a must and widely. How, when, where, who? Need 4-5 members to present. Have 'stations' were people can see different presentations. Approx 10-15 mins each station? Demos, what to look for when buying, desexed males look like. Alpacas Australia owes the region a publicity spread from CC several years ago Value of \$1250. Remind James. Committee needs to have some editorial oversight on this. JP to jot down what stations would be most useful, penning etc. One station could be a slide show of different catch pen styles using ropes, gate pens, pool fencing et al. Could then meld a Q & A meeting into this New Owners Day after the stations. RB presented a "Cria information sheet" to assist with cria birthing & problems encountered. To added to our website and N.O.D stations or Q&A section.

<u>Q&A MEETING</u>- As per above – add it to the New Owners Day.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Other Events for 2021 – Shearers Day later in year. Stud Males Day later in 2021? Discuss next meeting.

Printing of Breeders Directory – BC offered to run off info sheets. JP to transfer to Cloud file or SD card for next mtg.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 13th April 21(or Wed 14th April) at 20 Oborn Rd Mt Barker @ 6pm.

Meeting closed: - 9.45pm